## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 773 By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kelly Savannah Sutton, 2002 Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kelly Savannah Sutton is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kelly Savannah Sutton has earned an exemplary grade point average and achieved outstanding academic success, thus allowing her to join the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Kelly Savannah Sutton has been actively involved in various extracurricular activities including, playing the Clarinet in the Marching Band and the Bass Clarinet in the Symphonic Band, singing alto in the Concert Choir; she has also been a member of the Swim Team, the Humane Society's Fundraising Committee, the National Honor Society, the American Field Service, the Beta Club, the Interact Club, the

Yearbook Staff, and SADD; admired by her peers, she served as Class Secretary during her Junior year and was a Cheerleader for the Basketball and Football teams; and

WHEREAS, her academic achievements have been recognized through her receipt of the All "A" Academic Award, the English I Award, the Most Improved Freshman Award in Band, and the Highest GPA Award; she has been featured in the publication *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and has been named to the All-State East Band; and

WHEREAS, she won the 110% Award for Basketball Cheerleading and was the Basketball Homecoming Princess during both her Junior and Senior years; chosen as a Miss SCHS Candidate, Ms. Sutton was crowned as the Basketball Homecoming Queen during her Senior year; and

WHEREAS, this Teen Board Representative and Proffitts Trendsetter has given back to her community by volunteering at the Sevier County Food Ministry, the Little Pigeon River Clean-up, the City of Sevierville Summer Camp Program and After School Program, the Gatlinburg Midnight 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, the Race for the Cure, the IJAMS Nature Center Kids in the Park Fun Day, and by visiting nursing homes and shopping for underprivileged children; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sutton's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Kelly Savannah Sutton's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly Savannah Sutton's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Kelly Savannah Sutton, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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